A door opens and a middle-aged man, dressed in casual, slightly messy clothes refuses a leaflet, with a smirk on his face. He proclaims himself an atheist. He is therefore asked to describe the God that he does not believe in. He bursts into a
laugh and exclaims, “I only believe in myself!”
“What will it take for you to believe in God?”
“He will have to give me a warm love in my heart.”

Julia/René

2. the first month in Matteson

The first four weeks of the school year has flown by incredibly quickly. Nonetheless there are countless blessings we have already tasted: Through different challenging outreach experiences like

- participating in ADRA ingathering,
- doing catering service at the Prayer Conference in Halvorsbøle and
- supporting the Lifestyle Club activities, as well as
- strengthening the frontal lobe of our brains in classes here at Granheim.

And have you ever thought about how good of a classroom the garden can be? We have learnt many object lessons while picking bilberries, weeding, preparing compost and harvesting our vegetables. We are looking forward to growing closer together to Jesus and letting him ripen wholesome fruits within us.

Darta

3. something not to forget

I am really thankful that I was able to come to Matteson and meet all the lovely people and learn more about how to share God’s love. If I hadn’t
come here, I'd be working as a cashier somewhere, twiddling my thumbs. God's leading in the past, his leading in the future, for me and each and every one of His children, is something I never want to forget.

Gabriella

4. car blessing through brotherhood

“Dear God, please help us with our cars that are so costly to repair!” This was my prayer nine years ago. The answer to my prayer came shortly after when I got to know a car mechanic brother in the faith. He has saved Matteson many expenses since then.

At a recent check-up we found that our 20-year-old Toyota 9-seater would cost 4000 Euros to get through the quality check. I called our friend and asked for advice. After a short moment, he said that he has a similar, newer car that he was planning on selling, and that we could have it for a good price. “How much?” I asked and he answered quickly: “The sales price would have been about 4500 Euros, but you can have it for free.” What a relief! What a gift from a brother in Christ! The prayer I prayed nine years ago still works. God is so good!

Mauritz
5. oci western europe retreat 2015

This is a retreat where most of our students will participate. Europe is on our minds!

You are also invited! Are you coming? Click [here](#) to find out more about this event.

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6. praise and prayer

Praise be to our Lord Jesus for bringing all these 13 new students to Matteson! It is such an amazing experience to see them arrive and go through these first weeks. They are fully motivated to become missionaries for life :). After going through the first eye-opening classes, they are beginning to realize what this life is all about. To learn Christ’s method that alone will give true success, trying to understand it while putting it into practice, this is challenging – more than expected. To deepen the relationship with Jesus is their definite aim. It’s an aim we all need prayers for, right? Who knows how much time we still have, considering the current world events!

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7. welcome to this fall inspiration weekend
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